

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Mathew A Rybicki et al. Examiner:
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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING MULTIPLE CHANNEL AUDIO IN A COMPUTING SYSTEM

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To the Honorable Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

STATEMENT OF STATUS AS SMALL ENTITY
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.27 and Section 1.9

For the above captioned patent application, a party in interest avers that it qualifies for small entity status as SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN. To verify the small entity status, the party in interest attests that:

1. This verified statement for the above captioned patent application or patent is being submitted prior to or with the first fee paid as a small entity;
2. For purposes of this verified statement, as defined in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.27, a license to a Federal agency resulting from a funding agreement with that agency pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 202 (c) (4) does not constitute a license.
3. As a SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN:
 - (a) I swear that I am an official of SigmaTel, Inc., empowered to act on behalf of SigmaTel, Inc.,
 - (b) In my capacity as identified in this section 3(a), I swear that SigmaTel, Inc. qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 37 C.F.R Section 1.9 and that the number of employees of SigmaTel, Inc. and those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons;
 - (c) I further swear that my signature appears at the end of this Statement of Status as Small Entity;
 - (d) I still further swear that, in support my of contention that SigmaTel, Inc. qualifies as a small business concern, exclusive rights to the invention of the above captioned patent application have been conveyed to and remain with SigmaTel, Inc.,

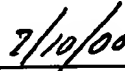
Signatures of Person(s) Making the Verified Statement

SigmaTel, Inc. (Customer No:000024263)
Name: Timothy W. Markison



Signature
Title: General Counsel

Date



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